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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

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Serial No.: 09/880,409

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For: COMPOSITION AND METHOD FOR A

DUAL-FUNCTION SOIL-GROUTING EXCAVATING OR BORING FLUID

Group Art Unit: 1712

Examiner: P. Tucker

Atty. Docket No.: 11084.0015.CNUS02

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO **OFFICE ACTION DATED OCTOBER 3, 2003**

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time of three months to and including April 3, 2004 in which to respond to the Office Action dated October 3, 2003.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge the extension fee of \$950.00 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3) to Deposit Account No. 01-2508, Order No. 11084.0015.CNUS02. Should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the

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enclosed materials, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct said fees from the same Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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